

33 BABIES  
RESCUEDFire in Foundling Asylum at  
Montclair, N. J.

## QUICK WORK BY SISTERS

Firemen Were Hampered in Their Work by Lack of Water, the Hydrants Being Frozen—Building Partially Saved.

Montclair, N. J., Jan. 5.—A fire which broke out in St. Vincent's Foundling asylum on Washington street last night threatened the destruction of the institution for a time.

By prompt action of the firemen and some neighbors it occupants, two nurses and 33 foundlings, were taken from the burning building and removed to a place of safety.

The asylum is a large two-story frame structure, erected nearly 60 years ago. One of the two nurses on night duty discovered smoke issuing from the door leading to the laundry in the basement, and promptly called up the home of the Sisters of Charity nearby.

With the aid of the neighbors they aroused the 33 sleeping infants, snatched them from their cribs and wrapped them in bedclothes to protect them from the intense cold. The sisters ran through the snow covered grounds between the two buildings, covering them the best they could until they were all counted and found safe.

The firemen were hampered in their efforts to quench the flames by the fact that the hydrants were frozen and not a drop of water could be obtained. The fire was extinguished, however, without the complete destruction of the building.

THREE PERISHED  
IN BUFFALO FIRE

Wife Nine Other Workmen for Buffalo Cereal Company Were Badly Injured Last Night.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Three men were killed and nine were frightfully injured in an explosion and fire which destroyed the plant of the Buffalo Cereal company here last night. The explosion occurred in the yellow corn mill. A concrete and brick elevator, 140 feet high, adjoining it was shattered by the explosion and fell through the roof of the mill. Of the 12 men employed in the elevator not one escaped injury.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion in grain dust. The rapid spread of the flames made the work of rescuing the unconscious men an extremely perilous task for the other mill hand and the firemen. At the hospital it was said that eight of the injured men have but slight chances for recovery. The elevator and yellow corn mill were entirely destroyed. Fire walls saved the remainder of the plant. The financial loss is placed at \$75,000.

NOTHING IN HOUSE SAVED  
But Occupants of Moretown Building Got Out Safely.

Waterville, Jan. 5.—The house on the "Tew" Turner place, about four miles from here, was destroyed by fire yesterday forenoon. The fire was discovered at about nine o'clock, and it evidently caught from a defective chimney. Mr. and Mrs. Burdette and two children occupied the house and were unable to save anything, except the clothes upon their backs. Mrs. Hannah Turner owns the place. The loss is about \$700, partially covered by insurance.

## FIRE AT BRUSHTON, N. Y.

One Block Destroyed and a Hotel Damaged.

Malone, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Yesterday morning about seven o'clock the Morgan block in Brushton was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$2,000. The Brushton House, owned and conducted by Joseph Allen, had a narrow escape and was damaged to the extent of \$1,000. The Morgan block was occupied by Louis Morgan as a barber shop and pool room and the floor above was occupied by Mr. Morgan's family. The origin of the fire is unknown.

## FIRE LOSS \$25,000.

Village Block in Whitman, Mass., Destroyed Last Night.

Whitman, Mass., Jan. 5.—Overheated steam pipes started a fire which destroyed the village block, the oldest but one in the town, last evening. The loss is about \$25,000.

The building was a four-story structure occupied by several stores, a bowling alley, the Salvation Army and a lodge room. Help came from Brockton.

## \$12,000 FIRE IN HULL.

Three New Cottages Burned and Fire Department Hindered by Frozen Pipes.

Hull, Mass., Jan. 5.—Three new cottages on Madison avenue, on land be-

longing to George H. Hatch, were burned early to-day, entailing a loss of \$12,000. Lack of water and frozen pipes prevented the fire department from saving the property.

POLITICAL TALK  
FILLS THE AIR

Mead Getting Cold Shoulder in Burlington and Fleetwood Seems to Be Received Well.

Burlington, Jan. 5.—The conventions of the Vermont Sugar-makers' and the Vermont Dairymen's associations have brought out a great deal of political gossip. It is talked at the hotels here that the appointment of O. M. Barber of Bennington to be a judge of the United States customs court is likely to throw C. H. Darling out of the running for re-appointment as collector of customs at this port, since both come from Bennington. John L. Southwick's and Joseph Auld's chances are said to have brightened as a result.

Governorship talk is also in the air. Both Lieut.-Gov. Mead of Rutland and Frederick G. Fleetwood of Morrisville are on the ground while other possible candidates are expected. The sentiment seems to favor Fleetwood of the two mentioned, while Lieut.-Gov. Mead is getting the cold shoulder.

## HE ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Jalmar Matson of Fitchburg Fires Bullet Into His Breast.

Fitchburg, Jan. 5.—Jalmar Matson, aged 25 years, of 4 Johnson street, attempted to end his life with a 32-calibre revolver yesterday afternoon. The bullet piercing the right lung. He was rushed to the Burbank hospital, where it was said late night that he could not live. Matson, according to the police, came here from Ashby a few weeks ago and has since been making his home on Johnson street, where he lived in the home of an aged woman. He had been in the city for some days and, according to the police, had been despondent because he was told by a physician that he could not get well.

## SUES FOR EXCESS FREIGHT.

Concord, (N. H.) Man Claims B. & M. Rates Violate Law of 1899.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 5.—R. D. Clough & Company, lumber dealers, have brought an action to recover \$2000 alleged excess freight charges paid to the Boston & Maine railroad by them on 1000 carloads of lumber at 35 per carload.

Their claim is founded on the acts of 1899, which provided the rates for existing then should not be increased. It is claimed that the increase of freight rates, June 10, 1905, by the Boston & Maine railroad of 25 per cent on lumber was in excess of the rates existing July 24, 1899.

SNOWSLIDE KILLS  
PRESIDENT OF COMPANY

Two Men Killed To-day by Snowslide in Alaska, One of Them Being President of the Elliott, Hibbard Copper Co.

Cordova, Alaska, Jan. 5.—Harry Curtis Elliott of Chicago, president of the Elliott, Hibbard Copper company, and H. H. Greer of Seattle, were killed by a snow slide at Elliott's creek, 105 miles north of here, to-day.

## WILD FREIGHT IN COLLISION.

Hits Passenger Train and Tie-up Blocks Grand Jury Session.

Belfast, Me., Jan. 5.—A freight car running wild after leaving a siding on which it had just been placed, yesterday damaged a passenger engine, blocked traffic on the Belfast branch of the Maine Central railroad, and prevented the formation yesterday of the grand jury for the January term of the supreme court.

The car crashed into the engine of the morning passenger train out of this city, but the engineer and fireman jumped, and no one was injured. The blocking of traffic prevented the prospective jurors from reaching this city in time for yesterday's session of court.

## COUNTY JAIL ACCOUNT.

The Total Expense for the Year Was \$2,918.47, Reports Auditor.

The expense account at the Washington county jail for the year 1909 has been given out by the state auditor. The total expense for the year was \$2,918.47, divided as follows: Board of prisoners, \$2,233; clothing, \$285.12; medical attendance, \$122; sheriff's expenses, \$819.70; board of jurors, \$141.20; bedding, \$58.75; expenses in October term, \$114.50.

## AUTOMOBILIST KILLED.

When Train Struck Big Touring Car—Occupants Were Unidentified.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Two persons, a man and a woman, occupants of a big touring car, were killed to-day when a train on the Illinois Central struck the machine. Both were unidentified.

## LOOM FIXERS STRIKE.

For Fewer Hours and Same Pay—Mill Closed.

Taunton, Mass., Jan. 5.—The loom fixers in the employ of the Cor-Manufacturing company in East Taunton, struck early to-day, demanding the same pay for 56 hours that they have received for 58. The mill was obliged to close.

## ONE KILLED IN COLLISION.

Of Passenger and Freight Trains, and Four Were Injured.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 5.—A collision of a south bound passenger train with a freight to-day, near West Alexander, killed one trainman and injured four.

TAFT NAMES  
NEW COURT

## O. M. Barber Member of Customs Tribunal

## BEING THIRD ASSOCIATE

Alfred C. Cox of Utica, N. Y., United States Judge of the Second Circuit, Has Been Named as Chief Judge.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—President Taft sent to the Senate to-day the following nominations to be members of the United States customs court, which was authorized by the recently enacted tariff law:

Presiding Judge, Alfred C. Cox of Utica, N. Y., United States judge of the second circuit.

Associate Judges: William H. Hunt of Helena, Montana; James F. Smith of San Francisco, formerly governor of the Philippines; Orion M. Barber of Bennington, Vermont; Marion DeVries of Stockton, California.

Orion M. Barber, the Vermont member of the court, was born in Jamaica, Vt., July 13, 1837, and was educated at Bennington, Mass., academy and Leland and Gray seminary at Townshend, Vt. He was also educated at the Albany, N. Y., law school. He has been state's attorney for Bennington county, state railroad commissioner, town representative, state senator and state auditor.

CONGRESS HURRIES  
INVESTIGATION

Sweeping Resolutions Introduced for Complete Investigation of Every Bureau of Interstate and Forestry Service by Committee of Twelve.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Administration resolutions for the congressional investigation into the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy were introduced simultaneously in the House and Senate to-day. Senator Jones of Washington introduced it in the Senate and Representative Hamner of Washington in the House. In the Senate the resolution was referred to the committee on public lands and in the House to the committee on rules. It is understood that there will be no delay in reporting it and getting the necessary signatures of President Taft. The resolution was sweeping, calling for a complete investigation of every bureau of interstate and forestry service by an investigating committee to consist of six members from each house, appointed by Vice President Sherman and Speaker Cannon.

## HE WAS ACQUITTED.

Was Accused of Trying to Get Witness to Commit Perjury.

Woodstock, Jan. 5.—The trial of Salvatore Righillo for an attempt to get a witness to commit perjury in the recent murder trial of Francesco Calabrese in the Windsor county court resulted in acquittal.

Yesterday afternoon Alexander Scatini, Domenico Scatini and Francesco Scatini were arraigned for assault with intent to kill Alfonso Tili, August 1, near Wilder, in the town of Hartford, and pleaded not guilty. The three were immediately put on trial together for the alleged assault. Dr. Thomas F. Good, witness, had examined Tili and found a wound in his left side at the bottom of the chest and the bullet lodged in the back about directly opposite. Alfonso Tili, the man assaulted, was the next witness, and told how the assault took place at a wedding reception. The respondents began to throw candy and got too lively and Tili took them out doors, when one of them grabbed him by the neck and another shot him. He was in a struggle with all three.

## GIANT SWING EFFECTIVE.

It Enabled Somerville to Throw Billy Shembley.

Rutland, Jan. 5.—Billy Shembley of New York made Rob Somerville travel fast last night in his bout at Combination Light for the lightweight wrestling championship of the United States and England, held by Somerville. The champion won two falls and the bout.

The first fall was secured in one hour, eight minutes and 15 seconds, with a body scissors and double wrist hold, following a giant swing. The second fall came in 37 minutes and five seconds with a head lock and body hold, following a giant swing. Somerville weighed 135 pounds, the limit, and Shembley was two pounds lighter. "Honest Ed" Bourdon of Claremont, N. H., was the referee. A fair sized and enthusiastic crowd witnessed the event.

## GRANITE COMPANY REORGANIZES.

Ascotay Mountain Company Elects Charles W. Enright President.

Windsor, Jan. 5.—The Ascotay Mountain Granite Co. has been reorganized with following officers: President, Charles W. Enright of Somerville, Mass.; treasurer, G. O. Sinclair of Burlington; secretary, Gilbert F. Davis of Windsor; directors, Gilbert F. Davis of Windsor, C. W. Enright and G. O. Sinclair. There is a prospect that this company will begin operations in the near future.

If you wish to be in style, get a standard pattern at Parry's.

RECENT DEATHS  
OF VERMONTERS

Daniel Perry, who died at his home in Mayville, Mo., December 24, at the age of 70 years, was born in Windham county, Vermont. He attended the district schools of his county and afterwards the Westminster academy in Vermont, and Powers' institute at Bennington, Mass., and later the university at Albany, N. Y. He graduated from the law department of the last named institution in 1870 and in 1878 was admitted to the state bar of Missouri at Mayville.

In September, 1881, he enlisted in the federal army. After two years' service he returned to Vermont, and taught school as the principal of the high schools at Jacksonville and Wardboro, and later became principal of the Bennington academy. He went West in 1872 and was connected with the higher graded schools until about the year 1888, when he gave up the profession of teaching to enter the law, loan and abstract business in Mayville, which occupation he followed the remaining years of his life, holding many offices of trust meanwhile. Mr. Perry was twice married, his second wife, two sons and a daughter surviving. He was buried in Mayville.

## 62 YEARS A MASON.

Caleb Moulton was Middlebury's Oldest Member of Society.

Middlebury, Jan. 5.—Caleb Moulton, 67 years old, died at his home on River street, yesterday morning at six o'clock. He was a native of Salisbury, but spent the most of his active life here and was a builder and contractor. He was the oldest member of Union Lodge, No. 2, F. & A. M., having joined it 62 years ago. He also was the oldest member of the Congregational church. Mr. Moulton died over 25 years ago, they say, in his children's day. The funeral will be held in the lecture room of the Congregational church Thursday afternoon. The burial will be in the Foothill street cemetery with Masonic honors.

## A WAITING GAME.

Each Side Waiting for Other to Move in Granite Troubles.

Both the committee from the manufacturers and the committee from the granite industry seem to be waiting for the other to make the next move toward securing a settlement of the differences there are between them. When the committee adjourned Friday night it was left that the next meeting be subject to the call of either side, but neither side seems anxious to settle now as they did at that meeting, and the result is not very promising. There has been no change in the situation since yesterday.

Report comes from Bethel to-day that the Woodbury Granite company's plant is closed down and ten gangs of cutters are out of work, because of the strike of the lumpers at that place.

## TWENTY-ONE NEW CITIZENS.

Taken to Through United States Court at Montpelier.

In the United States district court, which opened yesterday at the federal building, Montpelier, there was no business aside from the naturalization of several foreigners and the calling of the docket. Judge J. L. Martin presided. Most of those taking out papers of naturalization were natives of Italy, and an interpreter was employed to ask the long list of questions. Each applicant had to answer those and take the oath of allegiance. Twenty-one persons were made citizens of the United States at this session of the court. Next week it will meet in Rutland for the same purpose.

## MANY DIVORCES GRANTED.

Seven Unhappy Couples Separated by Addison County Court.

Middlebury, Jan. 5.—In Addison county court yesterday the following decrees were rendered: Minnie E. Trevis of Granville was granted a divorce from George M. Prentiss for intolerable severity; Lena M. LeFree of Monkton from Joseph LaFree for the same cause; L. J. Brooks of Granville from Jessie E. Brooks for adultery; Henry E. Alger to Starbuck from Mary C. Alger for adultery; Wesley Jackson, Jr., of Fitchburg from Anna Jackson for desertion; Lena M. Santen of Bristol from Koff Santeau for desertion; Retta Nemmet of New Haven for intolerable severity, custody of two minor children given to mother, also household furniture and a wagon as alimony and permission to resume her maiden name.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

Chair wood reduced to \$2.35 a run at Morse & Jackson's.

W. H. Gladding of Randolph was in the city to-day on a business visit.

Don't forget the Co. H. dance at Armory hall, Montpelier, Friday evening, January 7.

Mr. and Mrs. John Papin returned to-day from a visit with relatives in Plattsburg, N. Y.

Regular meeting of Winnetka council, No. 10, Thursday evening, January 6, at 7 o'clock. Cake and coffee will be served after the meeting.

The banquet, which was to have been held this evening by Summit lodge, No. 104, F. and A. M., Williamstown, is postponed on account of the illness of the district deputy grand master. For order W. M.

Among arrivals at the City hotel last evening and to-day were S. S. Spaulding, J. E. Brown, Boston; E. W. Smith, Wells River; A. N. Waters, East Junction; Frank Phinley, Northfield; C. P. Hogan, St. Albans; Otto Langhammer, New York; W. G. Wears, Burlington.

Notice.

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Wm. W. Russell.

Secretary, Lookout Committee.

## SUGAR MAKERS' ELECTION

## George H. Soule of Fairfield Chosen President

## TO STIMULATE INTEREST

Vermont Dairymen's Association Began Its Annual Convention Also in Burlington—President Eddy's Address.

Burlington, Jan. 5.—The closing session of the Vermont Sugar-makers' association and the opening session of the Vermont Dairymen's association were held in the armory in this city this forenoon. There were about two hundred people present for the opening session of the latter association, but more are expected during the day.

President C. F. Eddy of Stowe of the Dairymen's association gave his annual address this forenoon, in the course of which he stated that the dairy products of the past year were only about 75 per cent of the average, notwithstanding the high prices which they brought. He advocated the extension of the co-operative movement by the formation of associations, spoke in favor of teaching elementary agriculture in public schools, said that the by-products of the dairy were not exploited fully, advocated the grading of milk and cream, and favored the adoption of the oleo bill by Congress.

Other features of this forenoon's program was a paper on improving farm conditions and increasing the income, by C. O. Jones of Bennington, manager of the Fillmore farms, and a paper on "Successful Dairymaking," by F. Warren Wiggins of Quebec, manager of the Quebec Fells farms.

At the closing business session of the Sugar-makers' association to-day the following officers were elected:

President, George H. Soule of Fairfield, Vice-president, W. W. Holden of Northfield.

Vice-president, W. E. York of West Lincoln.

Secretary, H. H. Chapin of Middlebury. Treasurer, Homer W. Vail of Randolph. Auditor, M. H. Miller of Randolph.

In addition to these officers, the association decided to elect one member of the executive committee from each county, to stimulate the interest in the by-products and from among the sugar makers will select farmers in becoming members.

President Soule in his annual address said, among other things, that the price obtained for sugar in 1909 was better than for the past ten years. The entire crop found a ready market at prices ranging from eight to ten cents a pound. He urged the members of the association to improve in every possible way their methods of manufacture, to the end that the cost of production may be lessened and the quality of the product improved.

"There is no question in my mind," he said, "but what the state of Vermont, by careful preservation and cultivation of the maple, shall soon become able to produce annually 20,000,000 pounds of maple sugar, with a value of one and one-half to two million dollars. This revenue, being distributed very evenly over almost the entire state, enters at once into the trade channels and promotes in no small degree business thrift and prosperity in the early months of the year."

"Buyers and consumers of the product are becoming more discriminating in regard to quality, and a good article even in a wholesale way commands a better price than the ordinary or inferior grade. Confectioners are requiring a better grade than formerly and misers are learning that the real maple flavor that appeals to the taste is obtained only in maple products of the finest grade. There is need of attention being given this matter of quality; too much poor, low grade sugar is being made. I know of a large sugar producer in my own town, who had last spring about 1,000 pounds of stuff so poor in quality that it would not sell for a cent a pound, and he was obliged to sell at a loss of five to six cents a pound. Half of this loss would have been handled his sap and converted it into sugar before it became practically valueless. Do away with the storage and increase your evaporating capacity. There is nothing gained by a slow process; boil your sap as fast as it runs; get it out of the way and be doing something else when it ceases running."

"Never before in the history of the state were prospects brighter for the farmer than to-day. Take a hand in making its history. Do not be discouraged over a short period of drought conditions. The increase in prices makes good decrease in your products. Tap all the maples available, make the best possible product you can, and see that your syrup complies with the requirements of the national pure food and state laws. Making sure that every gallon contains 11 net pounds of high grade maple syrup. The time is soon coming when the difference in prices between the good and inferior grades will be much more than now. A maple orchard is much more productive of revenue, compared with out of maintaining and cultivation, than fruit orchards can be made in Vermont. Set out a few trees every year upon those barren, rocky hillsides. It will take but a few days each year to transplant a hundred small maples, and in 20 and 25 years the next generation will find its own call you blessed."

On the first floor of the armory are the exhibits connected with the Vermont

Dairymen's association and the Vermont Sugar-makers' association. The exhibits, as usual, include all the various makes of cream separators, sals, butter colors, the different makes of sap evaporators, sugar pans, gathering tubs, buckets, sap spouts, etc. There are also exhibits of maple sugar and syrup. In sugar, there are tubs, pails, cakes, powdered and the fine and coarse granulated varieties.

## DEBT IS LARGER, WAS REPORTED

Because Orange County Telephone Company Made Repairs Which Individuals Should Have Done.

Chelsea, Jan. 5.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Orange County Telephone company was held here yesterday, with perhaps not so large a number of stockholders present in person as on some former occasions; yet the stock was well represented. The meeting was called to order by President Eugene H. Kennedy, and Harry Daniels of East Montpelier was elected chairman of the meeting and Roscoe H. Williams was re-elected clerk.

Reports of the officers for the past year were read, accepted and adopted. The treasurer's report showed the company to be in debt about \$1,500, which indebtedness has arisen largely through the company having made repairs on the lines, which should have been made by individual shareholders. Two important articles in the warning, one of which proposed an amendment to the by-laws, whereby the lines should all be turned over to the company and kept in repair at the expense of the company, consequently raising a large assessment to meet such expense, and the other, a proposition to divide the company, were both voted down by a small margin, each of which actions required a stock vote.

There was a little stir over the election of some of the directors, and the following men were elected for the ensuing year: Eugene H. Kennedy of Chelsea; A. L. Patterson of Washington; A. D. Reed of Brookfield; A. E. Corvill of Montpelier; N. I. Sanborn of Plainfield; R. W. Kent of Randolph; J. P. Bailey of West Montpelier; Harry Daniels of East Montpelier and C. L. Spear of Corinth.

After the adjournment of the meeting, the directors met and organized by electing the following officers: Eugene H. Kennedy, president; Harry Daniels, vice-president; Roscoe H. Williams, secretary and treasurer. Although the vote was not quite strong enough to turn the lines over to the company, it was decisive enough to encourage the directors in their own convictions to enforce the by-law which provides that each shareholder shall keep in repair his own lines and poles, and if he fails to do so that such repairs shall be made by the directors, and if the expense is not paid by the shareholder, the company may cause stock to be sold to meet such expense in order to keep the expense of the company down where it should be under the present by-laws. There is probably no doubt but that the present directors will enforce that by-law to the letter during the coming year. Harmony and good feeling prevailed throughout the meeting. The next meeting of the directors will be held at the Barre City hotel, Tuesday, January 24.

## INSTALLATION AT EAST BARRE

Public Exercises Held Last Night and Proved Interesting.

A public joint installation of Gill Lodge, No. 57, I. O. O. F., Granite on, campment, No. 29, and Rippling Stream Rebekah lodge, No. 40, was held last evening in Odd Fellows hall at East Barre and was one of the most enjoyable meetings ever held by the orders of that village. The meeting was largely attended by the Barre Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and visitors. The installing officers present were District Deputy Grand Master O. R. Green of Randolph of the Odd Fellows District Deputy Grand Patriarch Alex. Duncan of Barre of the encampment and Mrs. C. S. Booth of Randolph, district deputy grand president of the Rebekahs. Deputy Grand Patriarch Duncan was assisted by Frank Diggers H. W. Scott and Frank Jackson of Barre. Grand Master Green was assisted by M. W. Campbell of Randolph as deputy grand marshal, and Mrs. M. W. Campbell of Randolph assisted the grand president as deputy grand marshal.

After the installation, the company enjoyed a chicken pie supper, which was served by the Rebekahs in the banquet hall. The banquet closed with interesting speeches by the visitors and local members.

## PLEASANT CHURCH SOCIAL

Held by the Church of the Good Shepherd Last Evening.

The annual social of the Church of the Good Shepherd was held at the church vestry last evening. The meeting was well attended and an enjoyable evening was passed. A program was given, consisting of a violin solo by Edmund Sanborn, vocal solos by Mrs. M. Junge, Mrs. A. W. Allen and Mrs. Thomas Gerrity, and addresses by A. W. Allen and the pastor, Rev. W. J. M. Beattie.

In his address, Mr. Beattie gave a review of the work of the year just passed and said that the church had, he considered, made progress spiritually, as well as numerically. All the different sections of the church have been doing good work. The pastor stated that in his work he had preached 146 times, had made over 1,000 calls and over 200 trips to the hill.

The pastor stated that when he came to Barre a little less than two years ago there were 103 communicants of the church, including Graniteville and Westville. At the present time, he said, there are over 200 in Barre and over 50 in Graniteville and Westville, a net gain in membership of almost 100.

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## PHARMACY LAW WORKING WELL

## Reported State Board at Annual Meeting

## ILLEGAL DRUG STORES FEW

W. R. Warner of Vergennes Was Elected President of Board for the Ensuing Year—D. F. Davis of Barre Again Secretary.

The annual meeting of the state board of pharmacy was held last evening at the State House at Montpelier. During the day, the board was busy giving examinations to seven candidates for drug clerk licenses.

At the business meeting, the board organized for the ensuing year by electing the following officers: President, W. R. Warner of Vergennes, to succeed J. O. Bellrose of Burlington; secretary, D. F. Davis of Barre, re-elected; treasurer, W. L. Gokley of Bennington, to succeed W. F. Root of Brattleboro. Mr. Bellrose and Mr. Root are the remaining members of the board.

In the annual report of Secretary Davis, he said that the per cent of illegal drug stores in Vermont was remarkably small, that the present pharmacy law was working well, both in protecting the public and the profession, and that it would work even better in time, as the many unskilled pharmacists who received certificates at the time the pharmacy law was enacted will be dropping out.

During the past year, there were 25 licenses revoked by the board, one by request, one for violation of the law, eight on account of death, fifteen for non-payment of dues. Sixteen licenses were granted on examinations. Five licenses were received in reciprocal exchange with other states and five were exchanged from Vermont into other states. There are 426 active Vermont certificates in force at present, 315 of the state and 111 in other states. Of the 315 in the state, 288 are in actual use, the remaining 27 being held by practicing physicians, traveling salesmen engaged in the drug business and by retired druggists.

The board, during the year, closed one drug store for non-compliance with the law, revoked one for violation of the law and obliged two unlicensed proprietors to procure licensed clerks to take charge of the prescription work. Two stores advertised as drug stores were compelled to pull in their signs. T. M. Barrett of Rutland, whose license was revoked last November on account of illegal selling of liquor, petitioned the board for reinstatement, but was refused.

## PLEADS GUILTY TO LARCENY.

Fred Patis Sentenced to Sixty Days in Jail To-day.

Fred Patis, who was arrested last Thursday evening on a warrant charging him with the larceny of a suit of clothes belonging to Conrad Brooks, pleaded guilty to the charge in court this morning and was sentenced to serve not more than 70 or less than 60 days in the county jail, and to pay the costs of prosecution. Patis, when arraigned in court last Friday morning, pleaded not guilty, and the case was continued until this morning for a trial.

After Brooks, the owner of the suit of clothes